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NEW YORK, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1906

POLICEMAN ADMITS HE WAS FRIEND OF THE CLAICHE GIRI

Morton Says at Trial Before Commissioner Bingham He Visited Murderess of Gerdron Fifty Times-Hearing at Headquarters.

Under a fire of questions from Assistant- District-Attorney Ely and Police Commissioner Bingham, Policeman Harry Morton, who arrested and had n charge Emile Gerdron when he was slain by Berthe Claiche, admitted that he had been in the habit of visiting the woman's apartments before the murder. He said that he had admitted to Assistant-District-Attorney Turnbull that he called on the Frenchwoman more than fifty times.

"I told Morton that his Frenchwoman was squealing like a pig in the Tombs," Cody had said.

HIS WIFE AND

Will Get Bit of Yerkes's

Cash to Leave City,

Says Rumor.

About half an hour after young Miz

the mansion for a long time in con

Yerkes and that in consideration of a

sum of money he would agree to

communication with his wealthy bride

Magistrate Mayo discharged the pris

CLYDE LINE ELECTS.

The Clyde Line Steamship Company at the annual meeting elected the fol-lowing directors: C. M. Morse, Calvin

CZAR OF TENDERLOIN

Seventh avenue.

ALSO OWSLEY

Morton was questioned along other sensational lines in an effort to bring out that there was a police conspiracy to murder and rob Gerdron. The case on trial involved charges abainst Policeman Cody in connection with statements made by him about Morton's relations with the Claiche woman. Cody gave the proceedings a dramatic start when he swooned under the fire of Assistant District-Attorney Ely's examination, and the hearing had to be delayed for five

Trial Resumed.

When the hearing was resumed Cody was assisted to the witness chair. He was still pale and appeared ill. Gen. Bingham ordered all the police witmenses to the rear room while Cody

Then the detective's lawyer, Mr. Churchill, objected to the appearance of Assistant District-Attorney Ely in the case except as a witness. The lawyer objected to the further examination of Cody, saying he was a very sick

"Your objections are overruled." said Gen. Bingham. "The police surgeon has examined the policeman and says he is

The lawyer got no further when he one of the executors of the Yorkes es-shjected that Cody had not heard the charges against him. Deputy Commissioner Mack told the dorf-Astoria and hurrled up the steps. Entering the was talking too much and injuring the case of his client.

"Prejudicing the court?" asked come by appointment.

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"There to put that down.

"The market for a long time in con-

Lawyer Gets Warning. you give any orders in this court ner's friends that he went this after noon to make a settlement with Mrs

The nave you put out of the room," he was told.

Deputy Commissioner Mack then ordered the lawyer's personal stenographer from the room.

Then policeman Dillafer was called.

He testified that on Jan. 9 he had met Cody in the Municipal Court Building and Cody had said:

"That French woman of Morton's a squealing like a pig down in the Tombs." I told Morton this and he said 'It's a damn lie. I've been getting letters from her and she's all right.'

Attorney Churchill, after a second legal sparring bout with Gen. Bingham.

cross-examined Billafer.

Police man Martineau was called to eross-examined Bhilarer.

Police man Martineau was called to the stand and questioned by Mr. Ely.

Q. Did you see Cody in January, 1906.

A. Yes, in the East Twenty-second Q. Did you see Cody in January, 1906.
A Yes, in the East Twenty-second Street Station.
"What did Cody say to you then? A. He said. 'I hear that Morton's woman is squealing like a pig down at the Tombs.' I told Morton about it and he said it was a damn lie.
"Did you meet Cody one day early this month in the District Attorney's office?" asked Cody's lawyer.
"Yes," said the witness. "I passed Cody in the any room of Mr. Ely's office and he said: 'Iwander what they want me down there for. I was in Harlem on the night on that case. I hope it isn't about those letters to Morton I. Spoag."

Met Bertha Claiche.

Then Policeman Harry Morton was Then Policeman Harry Morton was called.

"Morton," asked Mr. Ely, "how long have you been on the polince force? A. A. I was working for McGurie, at No. El West Twenty-eighth street, five years ago.

Q. You worked for him in 1901, before you wer a fireman? A. Yes; and I more affected for him after I resigned from the Fire Department.
Q. When did you first meet Bertha Claiche? A. When I was in the Nine-teenth Precinct. teenth Precinct.
Q. Don't you know you knew her when you were at McGuire's? A. No. I did not. I did not.

Q. How many times did you go to Berthe Claiche's rooms? A. I visited her apariments almost every day while I was in the Nineteen's Precinct.

Q. Did you use to go to her room and stay et night? A. Never.

Q. Didn't you ever tell Pol'zeman Billifer that Berthe Claiche was your girl? A. No. I never said so.

Q. You arrested Berthe.

Austin, John Englis, C. M. Schwab, Thomas Clyde, Harry Morse, John W. Gates, D. M. Wnitrey and J. F. A. No. I never said so. You arrested Emile Gerdron on the t of July 9? A. I did. night of July 9? A. I did.
Q. Did you have a warrant? A. No.
Q. Didn't you tell Martineau and
Billifer that you did have a warrant
and help you? A. I didn't tell them
that there was a warrant, but I asked
them to go with me.
Q. Did any superior officer direct them
to go with you? A. Yes, Roundsman

Sweasy.

The Board of Directors elected the following officers: President, Calvin Austin; Vice-President and General Manager, Theodore G. Eger; Secretary and Treasurer, H. Campbell; Assistant Secretary, R. A. Kelly.

Didn't Instruct Girl. Q. Did you not instruct Berthe Claiche

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to write a note to Gerdron appointing a rendezvous at Twenty-seventh street

BIG FIGHT Bluebeard Pays Death Penalty for

Marvin Part

Claimant of Jeffries's Title Meets Tommy Burns at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 23.-Marvin Hart is a 2 to 1 favorite over Towny money has been wagered that Burns will stay fifteen rounds. The fight is

Hart is a self-named heavyweight champion. He claimed the title after Jeffries announced his retirement. He fought Jack Johnson right after that and won the decision from him.

The fight has attracted attention here and it is likely to be hard fought. The honors that go with a heavyweight championship, however, are not at

MATCHED TO-DAY

They Will Meet in a Fif- Former Equitable President teen-Round Bout at Chelsea, Mass.

Billy Pierce, the fight promoter of the Lincoln A. C., of Chelsea, this after-Baldwin, of Boston. They will meet in any time since the operation upon him



many years and believe implicitly everything he says."

The Magistrate said the position of the two detectives who got into the fight was similar to foreigners coming to this country and taking out "first papers."

To March 8. The weight agreed on was 126 pounds at 6 o'clock on the night of the bout. Baldwin wanted the weight was 126 pounds at 6 o'clock on the night of the bout. Baldwin wanted the weight 122 pounds, but Murphy insisted on 126.

Murphy is one of the best little fellows that ever stepped in the ring and in line for the featherweight championows that ever stepped in line for the featherweight championship, Baldwin is a natural little twohanded fighter with the wallep. He has
boxed before local clubs with great success, and only yesterday in Philadelplia knocked out Young Haines in one
round.

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FOUND DEAD IN THE SOUND.

Austin: Vice-President and General Manager, Theodore G. Eger; Secretary, A. Assistant Secretary, R. A. Kelly.

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A middle-aged man of medium height and wolght was found dead in the Sound off Cellege Point to-Gay. He wore a brown corduroy vest, dark mixed trought. The police, thinking him despondent advised him to go home. Monday he called again and wanted to be locked allers, was called to the stand. He sound the disappeared telling and wolght was found for continued to-morrow was incurble.

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OVER ALEXANDER

Fails to Rally After Second Operation.

At the home of James W. Alexander, former president of the Equitable Life the Hotel Metropole arranged Assurance Society, at No. 4 East Sixtya fifteen-round bout before the Lincoln a Massachusetts sanitarium. A second operation was performed yesterday. He did not rally from the shock and the three surgeons in attendance are much

Mrs. Alexander, who is in Europe, has not been notified of her husband's condition owing to the state of her own

Police Say Cruti Has Long Robbed Immigrants with Aid of Gilt Cap.

With a Bible, his only presession, dutched tightly in his little chubby fist, thirteen-year-old Polish boy with an inpronounceable name, appeared in the Centre Street Court to-day as complainant against "the meanest crook in New

For years Giovanni Cruti, No. 8.100 in the Rogues' Gallery collection of portraits, has worked the "hurry-up graft" along the water front. Wearing an official-looking cap, he worked his game among emigrants travelling through this city on the piers and railroad sheds. Going among the emigrants, with a loud "Hurry up!" he would collect their tickets and then depart to resell them. If not disturbed, Cruti, it is alleged, told the emigrants the tickets were no

good, and very often got as high as \$10 from newcomers. Cruti was working on the Norwich Line pier at Spring street when arrested by Detectives Leeson and Moody. He had just got \$5 from the thirteenyear-old boy, whose only pessession outside of the \$5 was a small Bible, given o him by his sister before he left his native home.

When Cruti was arraigned before Magistrate Baker in the Centre Street Court to-day, Assistant District-Attorreys Tayor and Corrigan appeared to prosecute the prisoner. At the request of the prosecuting officer Magis-trate Baker held Cruti in \$2,000 ball for examination Monday.

POLICE THINK MISSING MAN IS A SUICIDE.

SURGEONS WORRIED SOUTHERN CROSS WINNER OF FAIR GROUNDS FOURTH

The Gleam, at 2 to 1, in Front from Start to to Finish in City Park's Fourth-Third Event Declared Off.

THIRD RACE-Six furlongs.

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Starters, weights and lockeys.

Lancastrian, 100 Sewell.

Fenian, 112 Vittatoe.

Gallant, 112 Robbins.

12 4 Maverick, 112 J Martin.

20 8 Red Raven, 112 Hayes.

Latheron, 115 Bedell.

Stockwood, 100 Perrine.

9-2 1

Last Cherry, 95 Chisman.

Time—1.14 4-5.

Fenian and Gallant raced in close order to the stretch, where Lancastrian closed and got up in time to win by half a length from Fenian, who beat Gallant a length.

FOURTH RACE-Handicap; five furlong

BETTER FEELING OVER

THE MOROCCAN AFFAIR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.-Ambassador

White to-day cabled the State Depart-

ment from Algeciras that the confer

ence had adjourned until to-morrow

very strong spirit of conciliation seemed

The understanding here is that there

match between Tommy Murphy, the fourth street, it was said to-day that CITY PARK, NEW ORLEANS, Feb. FAIR GROUNDS, NEW ORLEANS, oppular local featherweight, and Matty his condition is more serious than at 23.—Big fields was the rule here to-day. Feb. 23.—A good card, far above the The card was quite classy, and some Friday average, was down for decision good sport was expected. The track here to-day. Fifty-seven horses in all was in good shape, and everything were named to start in the six events. pointed to a busy day for the bettors A handlcap at five furlongs with three starters promised an interesting strug

pprobation. 113, McMullen..... 10 Time—0.48 1-5.

FIRST RACE-Three and a

second and Profane third. Time—0.481-5.

Tom Morgan led to the stretch, followed by Beau Brummell and McIntyre. In the run home Beau Brummell went to the front and won by a length from Fom Morgan, who beat McIntyre a head. SECOND RACE-Selling; three and one half furlongs.

SPCOND RACE-Selling; mile and a six-Starters, weights and jockeys.
Liberty, Mo., 107, Jost......
Del Carina, 93, Finn.
Thistle Heather, 100, R. Lowe.
Tapiola, 105, J. Jones.
Macy Worth, 105, Schoen.
Lady Mistake, 100, Hefferman,
Gold Monk, 102, B. Davis.
Bronze Wing, 107, Walnwright,
Dungannon, 100, B. Smith.
Knowledge, 102, Farrow
Little Giant, 107, Youns. Oungannon, 100, B. Smit Knowledge, 102, Farrow, Little Glant, 107, Young, Limite, 110, E. Landry, Twenty Shot, 97, W. Al Trepan, 102, Mahon... Liberty, Mo., made all the runni and won as he pleased by three lengt from Del Carina, who finished stro and beat Thistle Heather a length.

The third race was declared off. FOURTH RACE—Selling; one and one-sixteenth miles. Starters, weights and jockeys.
The Gleam, 102, Griffith.
Labor, 102, Pendergust.
Lyman Hay, 110, D. Austin.
Rockaway, 110, D. Daly.
Little Elkih, 102, Hefferman.
Jack Adams, 107, B. Davis.
April Shower, 105, Koerner.
Rism, 102, S. Smith.
Puenriba, 100, S. Allen.
104, 105, Farrow.
There I. S. Lowe.

The Gleam went to the front soon after the start, made all the running and won easily by a length from Labor, who closed strong and beat Loman Hay a half length.

FIFTH RACE—Monet (6 to 5 and 2 to 5) 1, Jack Dolan (out for place) 2, Meadowbreeze 3.

MRS. OSBORN INSANE TWO EXPERTS SAY.

(Special to The Evening World.)
WHITE PLAINS, Feb. 23.—The inuiry into the sanity of Mrs. Penelope after discussing at some length the 3. Osborn, was continued before the question of an international bank. A Sheriff's jury and the three Supreme Court Commissioners to-day, he first to prevail. witness called to-day was Dr. Spitzka,

doctor added that the woman's halluc-inations always lasted and this was one shown between the French and German

Fight for Delay in State and Federal Courts. JUDGE REFUSES TO GRANT

Wife Murder After Last Desperate

STAY OR ALLOW AN APPEAL

Prisoner Cheerful. Joked to the Last and Relied on His "Luck" to Save Him-Bids Tearful Farewell to Last Wife.

WILL CARRY UP APPEAL, THOUGH CLIENT IS DEAD.

After the hanging of Johann Hoch to-day his attorneys said the appeal would be perfected and carried to the United States Supreme Court. "Then," said one of the attorneys, "if the decision of Judge Landis in refusing to grant the writ of habaes corpus is reversed we will see that the Sheriff, the States's Attorney and all those who took part in the hanging in any official capacity are indicted for murder. We intend to carry

(Special to The Evening World.)

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.-Johann Hoch, bigamist and wife murderer. was hanged in the County Jail here this afternoon and proved to be the subject of the most dramatic execution ever performed in this city.

For nearly four hours before Hoch stepped on the gallows his lawyers fought with might and main in the State and Federal Courts to delay the execution.

Hoch walked upon the scaffold quietly and stood directly under the noose with heels together and head erect, like a soldier on parade. He was pale but composed and full of courage.

"I DIE AN INNOCENT MAN."

Rev. Mr. Burkland was steadily reciting the prayers for the dying when Deputy Sheriff Peters asked Hoch to step back upon the trap. He took two steps quickly, glanced down to see if he was in the proper place and then turned his face to the Deputy Sheriff.

"Do you want to say something?" asked Deputy Sheriff Peters, and Hoch replied "Yes."

Mr. Burkland was still reciting the prayer, and Jailer Whitman held out his hand to silence him. Hoch then said, in a strong voice;

"Father, forgive them; they know not what they do. I must die an innocent man. Good-by.

THEN THE DROP FELL.

He chopped off the words in a short, incisive manner, and before his voice was silenced the drop fell.

Dr. McNamara, the county physician, declared Hoch died instantaneously, the neck being broken. The body late in the afternoon was delivered to a local undertaker,

who had agreed to bury it at his own expense. Rev. J. R Burkland, one of Hoch's spiritual advisers, said later that

Hoch had confessed. "Did he confess to the murder?" he was asked. The clergyman hesitated and then answered: "Well, he said that he had been a bigamist and a very wicked man."

WAITED FOR THE END.

Hoch's fight for life as the minutes slipped by and the hands of the clock crept to the hour of 2 P. M., when he was doomed unless the courts should interfere, was the most dramatic ever known. Business was prac-Susannah went to the front soon after the start, made all the running and won by a length from Bitter Miss, who beat Helen Lucas a head.

Susannah went to the front soon after the start, made all the running and won by a length from Bitter Miss, who beat for the condemned man raced back and forth between the Foderal Building

Within the jail the situation was tense. The repeated delays wrought the officials to a high pitch of nervous excitement. Once the procession to the gallows was actually about to start when Sheriff Barrett was informed the Federal Court might interfere and another postponement was

APPEAL TO FEDERAL COURTS.

The first step in the desperate effort to save Hoch was made at the opening of the courts to-day, when his lawyers applied to Supreme Court Jus-

RACING.

LATE RESULTS AT FAIR GROUNDS.

Fifth-Sir Francis II. 6-1, Peter Nathaniel 10-1 pl. Bernice

FORMOSA CHOSEN TO TAKE BROOKS'S PLACE.

Commissioner Bingham this afternoon appointed Acting Chief Charles Formosa, of the Bronx Detective Buheau, Acting Inspector of the First District to take the place of Inspector Brooks, who retired.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER ON VAGUE CHARGE.

Michael Welch, twenty-two years of age, who says he lives at One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and Jerome avenue, was arrested this afternoon. Capt. Formosa, in charge of the Bronx Detective Bureau, says he is wanted for a murder committed in Pennsylvania. In what town or the date the captain said he did not know, his only instructions being to arrest the man if he found him.

The information upon which Welch was arrested is vaque. Where it came from was not given out. The murdered man is supposed to have had his skull fractuhed with a sledge hammer and to have been robbed of diamonds and a big roll of bills. Welch denies any knowledge of any such crime.